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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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| DOCKET NO. 10191/2261 | APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 10/070,879 | EXAMINER Bentsu Ro | ART UNIT 2837 |
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This is a **Request for Continued Examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 10/070,879, filed on July 10, 2002 entitled **SYSTEM FOR PROTECTING A POWER SEMICONDUCTOR OUTPUT STAGE THAT SWITCHES AN INDUCTIVE LOAD.**

The following constitute the submission required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

- A copy of a Response to the Final Office Action dated December 18, 2004
- Information Disclosure Statement
- Drawing Changes
- Other Submission: _____

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | MINUS | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA* | RATE (\$) PER CLAIM | FEE (\$) |
|--|---|-------|---|--|------------------------------|----------|
| BASIC FEE | | | | | | 770.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 2 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 18.00 | 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 84.00 | 0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 280.00 | 0.00 |
| 04/22/2004 AWONDAF1 00000066 110600 10070879 01 FC:1301 02 FC:1251 | | | | Number extra must be zero or larger | TOTAL | 770.00 |

2. Please charge the required RCE submission filing fee of **\$770.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
3. Applicant respectfully requests a **one -month extension of time** for responding to the Final Office Action mailed December 18, 2003, for which a three-month response period expiring on March 18, 2004 was set. The one-month extended period for response expires on April 19, 2004 (April 18, 2004 is a Sunday). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) one-month extension fee of **\$110.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees, including any additional and/or extension fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
5. A duplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 4/19/04


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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 2837**

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RESPONSE

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 18, 2003 and pursuant to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination, kindly enter the following amendments in the above-captioned application:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.